

By the Queene.

A Proclamation for the publication of her Maiesties most gracious commision vnder the great seale of England, for auoyding of the trouble and charges that grow by concealements, and that her Highnesse louing subiects may compound for securitie of their estates from her Maiestie for a perpetuall quiet to them and their posterities.



The Queenes most excellent Maiestie, hauing bene informed that where diuers of her louing Subiects haue of long time quietly inioyed diuers Mannors, lands, tenements, and hereditaments, some by descent, and others by purchase or otherwise upon iust and good considerations, and others that haue obtained grants upon good consideration, from her Maiesty, or some other of her noble Progenitors, haue bene of late yeeres greatly vexed, sued, and put to intollerable charges by collour of Letters pattents of concealement, which are found for the most part to be boyde in Law, or upon pretence that the sayde Mannours, landes, tenements, and hereditaments be from her Maiestie concealed or vniustly detayned, or may hereafter upon such pretences be vexed and put to extreme charges: Her Maiestie out of her gracious and Princely disposition, being very desirous (as in all other things) not onely to free her louing Subiects from such vexations and suites as haue bene already attempted, but foreseeing and providing for the vtter extirping and taking away of the cause of such like hereafter: And to the intent that such of her louing Subiects as desire to settle and establish their estates for themselves and their posteritie, and to be discharged of the meane profits, may upon such composition as shal be agreeable to equitie and good conscience, obtaine Letters pattents to be made to them, vnder the great Seale of England, in such sort as their severall cases shall require: Hath for that purpose (and that her louing Subiects with lesse suite and attendance may attayne to the same) granted her Highnesse Commission vnder the great Seale of England, vnto the Lord Buckhurst, Lord high Treasurer of England, Sir Robert Cecill Knight, her Maiesties principall Secretarie, Sir Iohn Fortescue Knight, Chauncelloz of her Highnesse Exchequer, Sir Iohn Popham Knight, Lord chiefe Justice of England, Sir William Peryam Knight, chiefe Baron of her Highnesse Exchequer, Robert Clarke Esquire, one of the Barons of the same Exchequer, Iohn Sauell Esquire, one other of the Barons of the same Exchequer, and Edward Cooke, her Highnesse Atturney Generall, or to any foure or moze of them, whereof the sayd Lord Treasurer, Sir Robert Cecill, Sir Iohn Fortescue, or Sir Iohn Popham to be two, for the reliefe of her louing Subiects, in such cases concerning the premises as her Maiestie in her Princely wisdomme, hath thought to tende to the generall quiet and securitie of her louing Subiects and their posterities, Giuing thereby to her Commissioners full power and authoritie for such reasonable composition as they shall thinke fit, as well to secure the estates of her louing Subiects therein by force of Letters pattents vnder the great Seale of England, as to discharge the meane profits thereof, as by the same Commission moze at large appeareth. Wherein her Maiesties gracious pleasure is, that no person be enforced, or drawen to discover the imperfection or imbecillitie of any their estates or interestes. And to the ende, that this generall and perpetual quiet and good to her louing Subiects, proceeding from her Maiesties exceeding grace and fauour might take so good effect as is most Princely and honourably intended, Her most excellent Maiestie hath commanded the same to be published and diuulged generally through her whole Realme by these presents, And that her Maiestie hath giuen in charge to the sayde Commissioners upon suite made by any of her louing Subiects, to execute the said Commission in all things according to the tenor and purport of the same with all conuenient expedition. Given at her Maiesties Mannour of Richmond the fourteenth day of Januarie, in the two and fourtieth yeere of her Raigne.

God saue the Queene.

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